

CAPPER FILES PROTEST ON UNFAIR GRADING

Says Grain Men Don't Get Fair Deal—The Senate Committee Takes Matter Up and Is Pressing for Early Action

Washington, July 23.—Senator Capper has brought up before the committee on agriculture in the senate the matter of grain grading and reductions made from the government fixed price made by the United States Grain corporation. The senator has been in receipt of mail and telegraphic communications from Kansas to the effect that the rules of the grain corporation as they are operating in Kansas at present, are working a sharp injustice on the wheat grower. In some instances the price on the lower grades of grain has gone as low as \$1.13 in some sections, despite the government guaranty price of \$2.20 at Chicago.

As a result of Senator Capper's protest, Senator Gronna, chairman of the senate committee on agriculture, filed a protest with the agricultural department and asked immediate action to protect wheat growers from improper grading of wheat.

Senator Capper made his protest in person and also wired Julius Barnes, president of the United States Grain corporation at New York, directing his attention to the injustice being done Kansas grain growers by his rules and the manner in which they are being applied by wheat buyers in Kansas. One of the most emphatic protests received by Senator Capper was from R. B. Ward, of Belleville, but scores of telegrams and letters of protest have been received within the last two days.

GEOLOGISTS TELL OF PLANS FOR FIELD

State Officials from Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma Talk to Operators at Picher Meeting

An overflow attendance of mine operators was on hand at the regular weekly meeting of the Tri-State branch of the American Zinc Institute at Picher, Okla., yesterday, to greet the state geologists of the three states principally interested in the district—Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma.

Geologists H. A. Buehler for Missouri, C. W. Shannon for Oklahoma and Mr. Moore for Kansas, were present and each spoke briefly regarding the work that has been started in connection with the establishment of a Tri-State office at Joplin. They explained that while the office that was opened there the first of July in the Chamber of Commerce rooms had not yet got fairly under way, a good start has been made, and it is believed that the plan will meet with the hearty approval of mining men of the district through the service that will be rendered.

The object of the geologists at the meeting yesterday was to extend their acquaintance with the mining operators and to bespeak co-operation in the work contemplated.

The program for yesterday's meeting was further enhanced by the presence of Arthur Thatcher, St. Louis resident representative for the New Jersey Zinc Company, and one of the prominent men in mining circles in the United States. Upon invitation of F. C. Wallower, chairman of the meeting, Mr. Thatcher spoke briefly, praising highly the weekly meeting of mining operators, and declaring that co-operation is the big thing in civilization today.

A. W. Pope, of Boston, also was present and made a brief talk. He was formerly interested in the manufacture of bicycles and automobiles and at present is retired, but is interested in mining operations in this field.

Major E. D. Payne, of Chicago, a classmate of Edgar Wallower, Jr., was also a guest at the meeting and was introduced to the operators.

Harbinger of War Fable.

Since ancient days the locust has been the flying wing of superstition. People forget from 1912 till 1919 that the locust has markings on his wings which carry a distinct letter W, which, when multiplied, usually results in many stories that war is at hand, the letter W being supposed to stand for the word, war. But the fallacy of such a supposition is in itself evident from the fact that the word for war in French does not begin with W, nor does it in Italian or Spanish.

BRINGS BELGIAN HOME

Olathe Boy's Bride Is Well Educated and Speaks Three Languages

Olathe, July 23.—Chester Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Ward, of Olathe, has just returned from eight-

een months' service overseas. He brought with him a Belgian bride. She is well educated and speaks three languages besides her own. Her father was killed in the war and the mother and three daughters were left, but all their property was destroyed by the Germans. Mrs. Chester Ward likes America and the American people. Ward is the first Johnson county soldier to bring home a wife from overseas.

Various Falls.

"Fall in" is an old military command, originating in the idea of giving up individuality, and becoming part of the military machine, when in line. Fall means more than "tumble," as for instance, "to fall from grace," "to fall asleep," "befall," etc. It is also used in the sense of classifying, "to fall into place," which may give the derivation desired.

Rich Brazilian Forests.

There are more than 300 varieties of woods in the Sao Paulo region alone and as a whole Brazilian forests not only abound in the finest of woods but are of enormous extent. Transportation facilities are developing slowly and the labor supply is a constant problem.

Female Executioner.

According to the London Sunday Times of February 15, 1829, the hangman who executed Burke had a wife whom he had instructed in the art and mystery of hanging. Dressed in man's attire, while he was executing criminals in one part of the country, his lady was giving effect to the law in another. Burke, it may be recalled, was an Irishman, who was in the habit of suffocating his victims and selling their bodies to the anatomists. He was hanged at Edinburgh on January 28.

Good Way Out of Difficulty.

If you can't tell the truth, do not tell anything. If you do not wish to answer a man's question, tell him that if you did it would embarrass him and yourself, and he'll be glad to let you off.

Uncle Eben.

"Some men hate work," said Uncle Eben, "an' a lot more never get well enough acquainted with it to so much as dislike it."

The Original Stub Penn.

From a magazine article: "William Penn was a short, stubby man."—Boston Transcript.

Daily Thought.

Strengthen me by sympathizing with my strength, not my weakness.—Amos Bronson Alcott.

Life of Candle Flame.

Laboratory experiments conducted of late have shown that a candle flame will become extinguished when the oxygen content of the atmosphere in which it is burning falls to about 45 per cent. Sulphur stops burning when all but 13.5 per cent of the oxygen in an enclosed space has been exhausted. The case of charcoal, however, is notable. Combustion continues until only 9 per cent of the oxygen remains.

Time's Changes.

Caesar used to wait days to hear from the outposts of his empire, but today the descendants of his legions who plow the sunny fields near Hammond, La., get daily market news on their strawberries from places thousands of miles away. This news comes over wires and is issued in Italian, as well as in English, by the local office of the bureau of markets of the United States department of agriculture.

Thin Watches Not New.

The thin watches that have been fashioned for several years are not a new model. P. V. Bergen of Bound Brook, N. J., has a thin watch that is more than 100 years old. It is an open-face watch, three-eighths of an inch thick. The movement is one and three-quarters inches in diameter and the watch itself two inches. The movement is full plate, lever escapement and opens at the front. The case is beautifully made and of 18-carat gold. The watch is marked "Micallef & Giglio, Malta."

All Plodders.

I have known several men who may be recognized in days to come as men of genius, and they were all plodders, hard-working, intent men. Genius is known by its works; genius without works is a blind faith, a dumb oracle. But meritorious works are the result of time and labor, and cannot be accomplished by intention or by a wish. Every great work is the result of time, of vast preparatory training. Facility comes by labor.—George Ross.

Chance for Real Friend in Need.

As the motorist turned a corner in a quiet country road he saw a brother of the wheel just ahead, evidently in trouble. Immediately he slowed down. "Want any help?" he asked, gently. The other motorist looked gratefully at him as he wiped the perspiration off his brow. "I do," he whispered. "See that lady in the car? She's my wife, and I'd be much obliged if you'd answer her questions and keep her amused while I'm seeing to this punctured tire."

DIVORCE TANGLE AT COLUMBUS

Two Husbands Seek Damages for Missing Wives—White Slave Charge

Columbus, July 23.—A double sensation, involving four families, has shaken this and the Hallowell community, eight miles west of here. David E. Hill filed a suit in district court here today for \$10,000 damages against O. B. Everett whom he alleges alienated the affections of his wife, Pearl Hill. Hill also swore out a state warrant against Everett charging him with unlawfully enticing Pearl Hill to leave the state with him for immoral purposes.

Both Hill and Everett are Hallowell farmers. Delbert Parsons, of Columbus, a miner, has also sworn out a warrant for the arrest of John Crain, another Hallowell farmer, charging Crain with having enticed Alice A. Parsons to leave the state with him for immoral purposes. Both parties have been missing since Saturday. Parsons is the father of four children. It is said that the mother took the two youngest children when she disappeared.

Crain had \$700 on deposit in the Hallowell State bank last week but checked it all out excepting \$200 for various accounts. The balance has been garnished. This afternoon Crain's wife, Mrs. Bessie Crain, filed suit for divorce in district court charging her husband with extreme cruelty and with having eloped Saturday July 19 with Alice Parsons.

TO PROSECUTE BLUE SKY VIOLATORS

State Bank Commissioner Will Reward Citizens Reporting Illegal Stock Sales to Officers

Topeka, July 23.—Fifty dollars may be offered as a state bounty for the conviction of violators of the blue sky law.

Walter E. Wilson, state bank commissioner, yesterday requested an opinion from the attorney general's office as to his authority in making such a reward offer.

Citizens Get Rewards

Kansas now is reported filled with agents selling stock in schemes not authorized by the state blue sky board. Richard J. Hopkins, attorney general, is sending letters to the county attorneys, urging them to be more active in enforcing the law.

The reward offered by Wilson is for the purpose of making citizens more active in reporting cases of illegal stock sales for county officers. The reward is for the citizen, not the officer.

Also, Mr. Wilson made a strong statement yesterday against the practice of many Kansas banks in accepting "promotion paper."

Practice Must Stop

Thus, agents of promotion schemes come into a community and sell their stock, which may be a legitimate transaction. The agent takes the note of the purchaser to a bank, which pays for the note, receiving a discount of from 10 to 25 per cent. Thereafter, when the time comes for the collection of the notes, there is difficulty.

"The practice of banks profiting by heavy discounts on doubtful paper must stop," said Wilson. The acceptance of promotion paper by Brooker's Salina bank was one of the causes for its present trouble.

Tip to Authors.

A youthful aspirant applied to a successful authoress for advice as to how to succeed in literature. "You need indomitable perseverance, a typewriter and a 'mangle' was the reply. "Do you mean I had better take in washing?" asked the aspirant. "Nonsense! You need the mangle to take the creases out of your manuscripts. Mangle them well, and then, unless the editors have burned them with cigarette ash, no one can tell they have been out before."

The First Silk.

The first silk was made 2000 B. C. by the wife of a Chinese emperor. Aristotle, in 350 B. C., first mentions silk among the Greeks. The manufacture of silk was carried on in Sicily in the twelfth century, later spreading to Italy, Spain and the south of France. It was not manufactured in England before 1604.

Really Hit.

"Why do people say, 'As dead as a door nail'?" asked the boob. "Why is a door nail any deader than a door?" "Because it has been hit on the head, I suppose," replied the shrewd idiot.—Chadwell Reepher.

SWAT THAT RAT QUICK

With His Relatives He Brings Disease and Millions in Property Loss

Rats are a serious wheat menace at the present time, so state board of health authorities are starting a rat extermination campaign.

A circular, just issued gives Kansas farmers the following other reasons why rats should be killed in their early infancy:

"One pair of rats will produce a progeny of over 650,000 in three years."

"Rats do damage in the United States in one year of over \$100,000,000."

"Over \$15,000,000 of property is lost each year by fires started by rats gnawing away the insulation of electric wires and thru gas pipes."

"It costs an average of \$1.32 a year for every rat on your premises in loss of food and damage they do."

"The rat is one of the most dangerous mediums known for spreading disease. No premises having rats will be free from dangers of disease until the rats are completely exterminated."

"Ships coming from Asia have brought plague infected rats in the last four years into the Philippines, Hawaii, three cities of the United States, besides Liverpool, England and the West Indies."

BOXING MATCH AT Picher

The Picher Athletic Association, with Sam J. Hannon as president and promoter, will put on an athletic contest in Picher, Friday night, August 1, in Rogers hall. Paul Roman, of Kansas City, a boxer of considerable note, will be matched against Knock-out Ed. Smith, of Picher, for a fifteen round contest to a decision. Roman has to his credit the defeat of Hughie Walwker (twice), Ray Long, Burt Mullens, Navy Rostan and others of fame in the welter and light-heavy division. Smith has defeated Bart Gordon, Bull Morrow, Tommy Ryan, Lee Jackson, Lute Taylor and others. The bout starts at 9 p. m.

SEMPLE STARTS HIS MINE

C. Y. Semple has started up his Early Bird property, located just west of the Southern, 6 miles west of Baxter. The mine was partly started in operation several weeks ago, when a decision was made to try the property as a tailings plant. When ore prices began climbing, however, it was decided to forget the tailings and go after the mine dirt once more, and this is being done. While the plant was shut down several months many improvements and enlargements were made in the mill.

CALLS MOONEY TRIAL A FARCE

Washington, July 23.—Thomas J. Mooney did not receive full justice in his trial at San Francisco for alleged connection with the preparedness day bomb explosion, according to a report by John B. Densmore, former special agent of the Department of Justice

who investigated the case for the government. The report, dated November 1, 1918, was submitted to the House today in response to a resolution.

"The plain truth is," the report said, "that there is nothing about the case to produce a feeling of confidence that the dignity and majesty of the law have been upheld."

"There is nowhere anything resembling consistency, the effort being a patchwork of incongruous makeshift and often of desperate expediency."

MINING NOTES

The Pioneer Mine, located about half way between the Homestake and the Ozark, has again started the work of opening up one of the richest mines in the district. The work of installing a set of rolls, a crusher and about twelve hand jigs will start at once and be put into operation as soon as possible and the work of opening up the ground will proceed while the building a large mill will follow, it is expected to have the ground thoroughly opened up by the time the mill is built so that it can run continuous from the start.

The Homestake Mine one-half mile southwest of Hockerville made a turn in this week the first since over a year ago when low ore prices and a strong water proposition forced them to shut down. The work now being done is with hand jigs at the field shaft while the mill is being put into shape to resume operations in the near future. The water has also disappeared and no water trouble is expected.

Jefferson's Wisdom.

Thomas Jefferson said: "I have often thought that if heaven had given me a choice of my position and calling, it should have been a rich spot of earth, well watered, and near a good market. No occupation is so delightful to me as the culture of the earth."

Egyptian Pyramids.

It took 123,000,645 slaves, working 14 hours a day for three centuries to complete the pyramids of Egypt, and the mummies exported from them have not brought, all told, \$1,000,000.—New York Sun.

Must Have Olive Oil.

Although olive oil as a food and medicinal oil can be replaced very largely by other vegetable oils, there are one or two technical uses, wool-spinning, for instance, for which no entirely satisfactory substitute has yet been found.

Indian Potlatch.

Potlatch is a corruption of an Indian word common among the Pacific coast tribes, meaning a festival of gifts. At a potlatch (potlatch) celebration the more personal property an Indian gives away, blankets, ornaments, etc., the higher he stands in the estimation of his neighbors, and the more he expects to receive in return at the next potlatch. The festival is accompanied by music, dancing and feasting.

CAN YOUR OWN FRUIT

Jobbers Say Canned Fruit Will Be Much Higher This Winter

Wichita, July 22.—The whole south-west faces the almost certain prospect of having to pay increased prices for canned fruit and vegetables this season, according to reports from wholesale grocers and jobbers here.

Higher prices of labor, shortage of many commodities which are commonly put on the retail market in cans and an unusual export demand is causing this increase, it is said.

On the other hand, the wholesale produce men say fresh fruits and vegetables are but little higher than last year, that sugar shows no advance, and that it will pay the housewife to can her own peaches, apples, pears, blackberries, peas, beans and corn.

Peanut Oil.

The peanut oil, which is used as a substitute for other nut oils, is receiving special attention from growers who find this the most profitable feature of the industry. About 40,000,000 bushels a year are used in the production of peanut oil, a bushel weighing 30 pounds, usually yielding about a ton.

Our Country's Birth.

Our country's independence dates from July 4, 1776, because the United States then declared its independence and from that day on has maintained it. Great Britain acknowledged the independence of the United States by a preliminary treaty of peace dated November 30, 1782, and by the final or definite treaty dated September 3, 1783. This treaty was ratified by the continental congress January 14, 1784.

Seemed in Distress.

One Saturday morning Kermit's mother was baking pies. She asked Kermit to go open the oven door and see if the pies were getting too brown. As it happened, the oven was quite hot and the juice was bubbling out of the top of the pies while the crust was heaving up and down. Kermit opened the oven door and said: "No, they're not too brown, but they're breathin' awful hard."

Helpful Sympathy.

She was slowly recovering from a long illness, but still too weak for the trip downtown to a hairdresser for the much-needed shampoo. She asked a maid found who would come to the house. During the drying process she made the startling discovery of the first gray hairs. The convalescent's grief was so intense that the maid, striving to comfort, said: "Lawdy, what if you had to wear one of those transmissions on your head!"

Cure for Rheumatism.

A certain variety of seaweed, known in Ireland as "tope," has been recommended by a famous physician as a cure for rheumatism and throat affections if eaten hot, whilst in some parts of England and Wales a variety of seaweed, known as "laver," has been in demand for years as a vegetable. Served with roast meats it is said to be extremely palatable.



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